IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Canceled)

2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim [[1]] 33, wherein the collecting step and the forwarding step are performed in a request application server.

3. (Currently Amended) The method of claim [[1]] 33, wherein the searching step, the serializing step, the attaching step, and the redirecting step are performed in a source application server.

4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim [[1]] 33, wherein the converting step and the binding step are performed in a destination application server.

5. (Currently Amended) The method of claim [[1]] 33, wherein the collecting step is performed using a Java server page.

6. (Currently Amended) The method of claim [[1]] 33, wherein the request is a POST request.

7. (Currently Amended) The method of claim [[1]] 33, wherein the request is sent using hypertext transport protocol.

8. (Canceled)

9. (Canceled)

10. (Canceled)

11. (Currently Amended) The method of claim [[9]] 33, wherein the identification of the destination is a universal resource locator.

12. (Canceled)

13. (Canceled)

14. (Currently Amended) A data processing system comprising:

a bus system;

a communications unit connected to the bus system;

a memory connected to the bus system, wherein the memory includes a set of instructions; and

a processing unit connected to the bus system, wherein the processing unit executes the set of instructions to collect information to create a request to bind an object reference from a remote name space on a source application server into a local name space on a destination application server, wherein the request includes an identification of a source, a source name space path, an identification of a destination, and a destination name space path used to bind the object reference and wherein the remote name space uses a different object request brokering architecture than the local name space; forward the request to a source application server using the identification of the source; search for the object reference in the remote name space using the source name space path; responsive to locating the object reference in the remote name space on the source application server, ~~convert~~ serialize the object reference to a serialized interoperable object reference; attach the serialized interoperable object reference to the request; redirect the request to a destination application server using the identification of the destination; convert the serialized interoperable object reference back to the object reference; and bind the object reference into the local name space on the destination application server using the destination name space path.

15. (Canceled)

16. (Currently Amended) A data processing system for binding object references from a remote name space on a source application server into a local name space on a destination application server, the data processing system comprising:

collecting means for collecting information to create a request to bind an object reference, wherein the request includes an identification of a source, a source name space path, an identification of a destination, and a destination name space path used to bind the object reference and wherein the remote name space uses a different object request brokering architecture than the local name space;

forwarding means for forwarding the request to a source application server using the identification of the source;

searching means for searching for the object reference in the remote name space using the source name space path;

responsive to locating the object reference in the remote name space on the source application server, serializing means for serializing the object reference to a serialized interoperable object reference;

attaching means for attaching the serialized interoperable object reference to the request;

redirecting means for redirecting the request to a destination application server using the identification of the destination;

converting means for converting the serialized interoperable object reference back to the object reference; and

binding means for binding the object reference into the local name space on the destination application server using the destination name space path.

17. (Original) The data processing system of claim 16, wherein the collecting means and the forwarding means are performed in a request application server.

18. (Previously Presented) The data processing system of claim 16, wherein the searching means, the serializing means, the attaching means, and the redirecting means are performed in a source application server.

19. (Previously Presented) The data processing system of claim 16, wherein the converting means and the binding means are performed in a destination application server.

20. (Original) The data processing system of claim 16, wherein the collecting means uses a Java server page.

21. (Original) The data processing system of claim 16, wherein the request is a POST request.

22. (Original) The data processing system of claim 16, wherein the request is sent using hypertext transport protocol.

23. (Canceled)

24. (Canceled)

25. (Canceled)

26. (Currently Amended) The data processing system of claim [[24]] 16, wherein the identification of the destination is a universal resource locator.

27. (Canceled)

28. (Canceled)

29. (Currently Amended) A computer program product in a tangible computer readable medium for binding object references from a remote name space on a source application server into a local name space on a destination application server, the computer program product comprising:

first instructions for collecting information to create a request to bind an object reference, wherein the request includes an identification of a source, a source name space path, an identification of a destination, and a destination name space path used to bind the object reference and wherein the remote name space uses a different object request brokering architecture than the local name space;

second instructions for forwarding the request to a source application server using the identification of the source;

third instructions for searching for the object reference in the remote name space using the source name space path;

fourth instructions, responsive to locating the object reference in the remote name space on the source application server, for ~~converting~~ serializing the object reference to a serialized interoperable object reference;

fifth instructions for attaching the serialized interoperable object reference to the request;

sixth instruction for redirecting the request to a destination application server using the identification of the destination;

seventh instructions for converting the serialized interoperable object reference back to the object reference; and

eighth instructions for binding the object reference into the local name space on the destination application server using the destination name space path.

30. (Canceled)

31. (Canceled)

32. (Canceled)

33. (Previously Presented) A method in a data processing system for binding object references from a remote name space on a source application server into a local name space on a destination application server, the method comprising:

collecting information to create a request to bind an object reference, wherein the request includes an identification of a source, a source name space path, an identification of a destination, and a destination name space path used to bind the object reference and wherein the remote name space uses a different object request brokering architecture than the local name space;

forwarding the request to the source application server using the identification of the source;

searching for the object reference in the remote name space using the source name space path;

responsive to locating the object reference in the remote name space on the source application server, serializing the object reference to a serialized interoperable object reference;

attaching the serialized interoperable object reference to the request;

redirecting the request to the destination application server using the identification of the destination;

converting the serialized interoperable object reference back to the object reference; and

binding the object reference into the local name space on the destination application server using the destination name space path.